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### 801.303 Codification and public participation.

The VAAR is codified as chapter 8 of title 48, Code of Federal Regulations. Codified changes to the VAAR will be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER. The Deputy Assistant Secretary for Acquisition and Materiel Management arranges distribution of the issues to VA contracting activities and the Office of Acquisition and Materiel Management should be notified of changes to the distribution list.

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### 801.304 Department control and compliance procedures.

Office of Acquisition and Materiel Management is responsible for ensuring that the VAAR and amendments thereto are developed as prescribed by the FAR.

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## Subpart 801.4—Deviations From the FAR or VAAR

### 801.403 Individual deviations.

(a) When contracting officers consider it necessary to deviate from the policies set forth in the FAR or VAAR, a request for authority to do so will be

submitted to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Acquisition and Materiel Management (93). The request will clearly set forth the circumstances warranting the deviation and nature of the deviation.

(b) When a deviation in an individual case is authorized by the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Acquisition and Materiel Management, the authorization will be filed in the purchase or contract file, whichever is appropriate.

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### 801.404 Class deviations.

The Deputy Assistant Secretary for Acquisition and Materiel Management is responsible for determining the need for class deviations. If determined necessary, the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Acquisition and Materiel Management will request deviation authority from the Deputy Secretary through the Senior Procurement Executive as well as complying with the provisions in FAR 1.404.

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## Subpart 801.6—Contracting Authority and Responsibilities

### 801.601 General.

(a) This subpart establishes general contracting officer authority and responsibility. However, other provisions in both the FAR and the VAAR contain some contracting officer limitations and it is incumbent upon each contracting officer to be aware of those limitations.

(b) Personnel, other than those designated in 801.602, may determine quality, quantity and delivery requirements for items or services to be purchased. However, under no circumstances will individuals who have not been delegated contracting authority commit the Government for purchases of supplies, equipment or services. Individuals making such commitments may be held financially liable for the amount of the obligation.